COUNTY SNOWMOBILE ENFORCEMENT PATROLS

<u>Authorization:</u> ss. 350.12(4)(a)(4) and 20.370(4)(ft), Wis. Stats.; s. NR 50.12, Wis. Admin. Code

<u>Budget:</u> Grants are prorated if requests exceed funding available.

2001-2002 Fiscal Year = \$400,000 2002-2003 Fiscal Year = \$400,000 2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$400,000

<u>Objective:</u> To encourage county snowmobile patrols to function as a law enforcement unit for the enforcement ch. 350, Wis. Stats.

Eligibility: Counties.

<u>Level of Assistance:</u> Counties may receive up to 100% of their net costs for the enforcement of ch. 350, Wis. Stats. If county claims exceed available funds, the DNR shall prorate the payments.

Priorities: Patrols must function as a county sheriff's law enforcement unit.

Eligible Types of Projects: Salaries of officers engaged in the enforcement of ch. 350, Wis. Stats., at a rate not more than the regular straight-time rate. Fringe benefits cannot exceed 29% of the gross salary. Travel, materials, and supplies are reimbursable. Depreciation is calculated at a rate of 20% annually on all equipment (snowmobiles) valued at over \$1,000.

<u>Applications:</u> A county must file a *Notice of Intent to Patrol* form with the DNR on or before June 1 of each year. Claim forms shall be filed with the DNR on or before June 1st. Forms and information are available from the Bureau of Law Enforcement.

<u>History:</u> Approximately 44 counties annually participate in the snowmobile enforcement patrol each year.

Contacts: William Engfer, LE/5

Department of Natural Resources

P.O. Box 7921

Madison, WI 53707-7921 Phone: (608) 266-0859

Email: William.Engfer@dnr.state.wi.us

Website: http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/cfa/Grants/snowenforce.html